



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Department of Public Safety

Massachusetts State Building Code (780 CMR) Seventh Edition

Building Permit Application to Construct, Repair, Renovate or Demolish any Building other than a One- or Two-Family Dwelling

CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING PERMITS

- **780 CMR** (The State Building Code), Section 110.1 indicates that "It shall be unlawful to construct, reconstruct, alter, repair, remove or demolish a building or structure; or to change the use or occupancy of a building or structure; or to install or alter any equipment for which provision is made or the installation of which is regulated by 780 CMR without first filing a written application with the building official and obtaining the required permit therefore."
- **Section 110.2.1** indicates that "A building permit shall be required for temporary structures, unless exempted by 780 CMR 110.3. Such permits shall be limited as to time of service, but such temporary construction shall not be permitted for more than one year."
- **Section 110.5** indicates that "Application for a permit shall be made by the owner or lessee of the building or structure, or agent of either. If application is made other than by the owner, the written authorization of the owner shall accompany the application. Such written authorization shall be signed by the owner, or shall grant permission to the lessee to apply for the permit. The full names and addresses of the owner, lessee, applicant and the responsible officers, if the owner or lessee is a corporate body, shall be stated in the application."
- **Section 114.1** indicates that "A permit to begin work for new construction, alteration, removal, demolition or other building operation shall not be issued until the fees prescribed in 780 CMR 114.0 shall have been paid to the department of building inspection or other authorized agency of the jurisdiction, nor shall an amendment to a permit necessitating an additional fee be approved until the additional fee has been paid."

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please contact the city or town where the work will be done to ensure that the city or town will accept this application form and if any additional information is required, and obtain the correct mailing address. After doing so, print the application, fill in completely and then submit to the local city or town where the work will be done.
2. All applications shall be considered complete and will be reviewed if construction documents, specifications, fee, and other materials that may be required as indicated in the Building Permit Application are included with the application.
3. Please include a check for the Building Permit fee. The fee may be calculated using the information to be supplied in section 12 of the Building Permit Application. The check is to be made payable to the local city or town where the work will be done.



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(This Section For Official Use Only)

Building Permit Number: _____ Date Applied: _____ Building Inspector: _____

SECTION 1: LOCATION (Please indicate Block # and Lot # for locations for which a street address is not available)

No. and Street _____ City /Town _____ Zip Code _____ Name of Building (if applicable) _____

SECTION 2: PROPOSED WORK

If New Construction check here ☐ or check all that apply in the two rows below

Existing Building ☐ Repair ☐ Alteration ☐ Addition ☐ Demolition ☐ (Please fill out and submit Appendix 1)

Change of Use ☐ Change of Occupancy ☐ Other ☐ Specify: _____

Are building plans and/or construction documents being supplied as part of this permit application? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is an Independent Structural Engineering Peer Review required? Yes ☐ No ☐

Brief Description of Proposed Work: _____

SECTION 3: COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF EXISTING BUILDING UNDERGOING RENOVATION, ADDITION, OR CHANGE IN USE OR OCCUPANCY

Check here if an Existing Building Evaluation is enclosed (See 780 CMR 3402.0) ☐

Existing Use Group(s): _____ Proposed Use Group(s): _____
Existing Hazard Index 780 CMR 34: _____ Proposed Hazard Index 780 CMR 34: _____

SECTION 4: BUILDING HEIGHT AND AREA

	Existing		Proposed	
No. of Floors/Stories (include basement levels) & Area Per Floor (sq. ft.)				
Total Area (sq. ft.) and Total Height (ft.)				

SECTION 5: USE GROUP (Check as applicable)

A: Assembly A-1 ☐ A-2r ☐ A-2nc ☐ A-3 ☐ A-4 ☐ A-5 ☐ B: Business ☐ E: Educational ☐

F: Factory F-1 ☐ F2 ☐ H: High Hazard H-1 ☐ H-2 ☐ H-3 ☐ H-4 ☐ H-5 ☐

I: Institutional I-1 ☐ I-2 ☐ I-3 ☐ I-4 ☐ M: Mercantile ☐ R: Residential R-1 ☐ R-2 ☐ R-3 ☐ R-4 ☐

S: Storage S-1 ☐ S-2 ☐ U: Utility ☐ Special Use ☐ and please describe below:

Special Use: _____

SECTION 6: CONSTRUCTION TYPE (Check as applicable)

IA ☐ IB ☐ IIA ☐ IIB ☐ IIIA ☐ IIIB ☐ IV ☐ VA ☐ VB ☐

SECTION 7: SITE INFORMATION (refer to 780 CMR 111.0 for details on each item)

Water Supply: Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/>	Flood Zone Information: Check if outside Flood Zone <input type="checkbox"/> or indentify Zone: _____	Sewage Disposal: Indicate municipal <input type="checkbox"/> or on site system <input type="checkbox"/>	Trench Permit: A trench will not be required <input type="checkbox"/> or trench permit is enclosed <input type="checkbox"/>	Debris Removal: Licensed Disposal Site <input type="checkbox"/> or specify: _____
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Railroad right-of-way:

Not Applicable ☐
or Consent to Build enclosed ☐

Hazards to Air Navigation:

Is Structure within airport approach area?
Yes ☐ or No ☐

[MA Historic Commission Review Process:](#)

Is their review completed?
Yes ☐ No ☐

SECTION 8: CONTENT OF CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

Edition of Code: _____ Use Group(s): _____ Type of Construction: _____ Occupant Load per Floor: _____
Does the building contain an Sprinkler System?: _____ Special Stipulations: _____

SECTION 9: PROPERTY OWNER AUTHORIZATION										
Name and Address of Property Owner										
Name (Print)		No. and Street			City/Town			Zip		
Property Owner Contact Information:										
Title		Telephone No. (business)		Telephone No. (cell)		e-mail address				
If applicable, the property owner hereby authorizes										
Name		Street Address			City/Town		State		Zip	
to act on the property owner's behalf, in all matters relative to work authorized by this building permit application.										
SECTION 10: CONSTRUCTION CONTROL (Please fill out Appendix 2)										
(If building is less than 35,000 cu. ft. of enclosed space and/or not under Construction Control then check here <input type="checkbox"/> and skip Section 10.1)										
10.1 Registered Professional Responsible for Construction Control										
Name (Registrant)					Telephone No.		e-mail address		Registration Number	
Street Address			City/Town		State		Zip		Discipline Expiration Date	
10.2 General Contractor										
Company Name:										
Name of Person Responsible for Construction					License No. and Type if Applicable					
Street Address			City/Town			State		Zip		
Telephone No. (business)		Telephone No. (cell)		e-mail address						
SECTION 11: WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE AFFIDAVIT (M.G.L. c. 152, § 25C(6))										
A Workers' Compensation Insurance Affidavit from the MA Department of Industrial Accidents must be completed and submitted with this application. Failure to provide this affidavit will result in the denial of the issuance of the building permit.										
Is a signed Affidavit submitted with this application? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>										
SECTION 12: CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND PERMIT FEE										
Item		Estimated Costs: (Labor and Materials)		Total Construction Cost (from Item 6) = \$ _____						
1. Building		\$ _____		Building Permit Fee = Total Construction Cost x ____ (Insert here appropriate municipal factor) = \$ _____. Note: Minimum fee = \$ _____ (contact municipality) Enclose check payable to _____ (contact municipality) and write check number here _____						
2. Electrical		\$ _____								
3. Plumbing		\$ _____								
4. Mechanical (HVAC)		\$ _____								
5. Mechanical (Other)		\$ _____								
6. Total Cost		\$ _____								
SECTION 13: SIGNATURE OF BUILDING PERMIT APPLICANT										
By entering my name below, I hereby attest under the pains and penalties of perjury that all of the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and understanding.										
Please print and sign name					Title		Telephone No.		Date	
Street Address			City/Town			State		Zip		
Municipal Inspector to fill out this section upon application approval:										
					Name		Date			

Appendix 1

For the demolition of structures the building code requires action on service connections.

780 CMR 112.0 DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES

112.1 Service Connections. Before a building or structure is demolished or removed, the owner or agent shall notify all utilities having service connections within the structure such as water, electric, gas, sewer and other connections. A permit to demolish or remove a building or structure shall not be issued until a release is obtained from the utilities, stating that their respective service connections and appurtenant equipment, such as meters and regulators, have been removed or sealed and plugged in a safe manner. All debris shall be disposed of in accordance with 780 CMR 111.5.

Please fill in the information below and submit this appendix with the building permit application. The building permit applicant attests under the pains and penalties of perjury that the following is true and accurate.

Property Location (Please indicate Block # and Lot # for locations for which a street address is not available)

No. and Street	City /Town	Zip	Name of Building (if applicable)
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For the above described property the following action was taken:

Water Shut Off?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Provider notified and Release obtained?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Gas Shut Off?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Provider notified and Release obtained?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Electricity Shut Off?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Provider notified and Release obtained?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Provider notified and Release obtained?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Other (if applicable)			
_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Provider notified and Release obtained?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Other (if applicable)	

Appendix 2

Construction Documents are required for structures that must comply with 780 CMR 116. The checklist below is a compilation of the documents that may be required for this. The applicant shall fill out the checklist and provide the contact information of the registered professionals responsible for the documents. This appendix is to be submitted with the building permit application.

Checklist for Construction Documents*

No.	Item	Mark "x" where applicable		
		Submitted	Incomplete	Not Required
1	Architectural			
2	Foundation			
3	Structural			
4	Fire Suppression			
5	Fire Alarm (may require repeaters)			
6	HVAC			
7	Electrical			
8	Plumbing (include local connections)			
9	Gas (Natural, Propane, Medical or other)			
10	Surveyed Site Plan (Utilities, Wetland, etc.)			
11	Specifications			
12	Structural Peer Review			
13	Structural Tests & Inspections Program			
14	Fire Protection Narrative Report			
15	Existing Building Survey/Investigation			
16	Energy Conservation Report			
17	Architectural Access Review (521 CMR)			
18	Workers Compensation Insurance			
19	Hazardous Material Mitigation Documentation			
20	Other (Specify)			
21	Other (Specify)			
22	Other (Specify)			

*Areas of Design or Construction for which plans are not complete at the time of application submittal must be identified herein. Work so identified must not be commenced until this application has been amended and the proposed construction document amendment has been approved by the authority having jurisdiction. Work started prior to approval may be subjected to *triple the original permit fee*.

Registered Professional Contact Information

<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> Name (Registrant)	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> Telephone No.	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> e-mail address	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> Registration Number
<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> Street Address	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> City/Town	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> State	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> Zip
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